

Beyond Sunday

A Sermon Application Guide

Personalized (The Indestructible Word pt 2)

This guide is designed to offer a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with Sunday's message. You can print this guide to study on your own, or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

Our hope is that the living, breathing words of truth that are revealed to you become a part of your everyday life. In the book of James, we read about a key to living life with God. We are told that if we ask for wisdom by faith then we shall receive it generously from our Father in Heaven. One of the best ways to receive this wisdom is by preparing to receive it. We invite you to pray this prayer prior to the message and starting the study guide:

"God, thank You for Your truth and wisdom. Help me to see what I need to see, hear what I need to hear, and know what I need to know. Holy Spirit, help me to understand in a way that shows me the Father's true nature and heart. May this time help me to know You more and become more like Jesus. Amen."

Message Theme

God's word and His kingdom are like a seed.

Key Concepts/Truths

Our hearts produce from the seeds we put into it.

Any words received, from any source, will be planted in us.

What you put in your heart will determine the direction of your life.

Faith does not grow by having heard His Word; faith grows by hearing it again and again.

Meditating on God's word means to be filling your heart/mind with scripture and not emptying it.

God's word puts vision in us. This vision helps us to move forward with Him.

Key Verses- Romans 12:2 • Isaiah 54:17 • Hebrews 54:17 • Proverbs 4:20-22 • Matthew 12:33-35

Which one truth do you already have evidence of in your life today? Ask the Lord for new ways to see even more of it for you and others around you. Write your answers out.

Which one truth is the most challenging or least existing in your life today? Why do you think this is? Ask the Lord if there are any beliefs or barriers that are keeping you from believing that particular truth. Write it out.

Real-Life Application

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable--if anything is excellent or praiseworthy--think about such things. Philippians 4:8 (NIV)

Why do you think Paul encourages us to think this way? We need to keep our minds filled with the goodness and words of God because the enemy is constantly trying to twist our mind, thoughts, and emotions away from God. Too often we plant the world's system and ideas into our heart without noticing the damage that it does to our lives. The enemy can use so many things in our world to distract you from God or shift your thinking away from truth, but we need to be diligent about filling our hearts with the Word of God.

God's Word can shift our perspective and focus away from worldly worries and ideas and onto His Kingdom and goodness. When Abraham left his home to follow God, he did not look back because his mind was filled with the true, pure, and lovely Word of God. He was thinking of greater things. If he had only trusted worldly ideas, he might not have left the safety and comfort of his country behind. He might not have been the father of many nations as God had called him to be!

When we plant God's Word in our hearts, we are planting seeds of truth, purity, loveliness, and excellence. What you put in your heart will determine the direction of your life!

What are the greater things that God is calling you to today and this week? Fill your mind and heart with these things. Be diligent with what seeds you are planting.

This Week's Declarations

Life is released when your words are in agreement with God. Intentionally speaking life and biblical truth out loud is extremely powerful. In fact, you have that very life in the power of your tongue. These words below, when spoken out loud, will cause an acceleration of the reality of God's words in your life. We encourage you to speak the following with an expectancy to renew your mind and see God's fullness.

I have perseverance, character, and hope.

The love of God has been poured out in my heart through Jesus.

In Him I have been enriched in every way.

I am not lacking in any spiritual gift.

I am called into fellowship with Jesus.

I am in Christ Jesus who gives me wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption.

Greater Things

Just like David becoming king in stages, you are growing in faith the same way. Every life victory that David had was a seed planted in his life. Your victory today will also be a seed in your life. Plant your daily victories in your heart and you will see God's greater things.

What's Next?

Now it's time to write down anything that the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, thank Him, and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

Personalized The Indestructible Word pt.2 Scripture Reference

Mark 4:3-9 NKJV

"Listen! Behold, a sower went out to sow. ⁴ And it happened, as he sowed, *that* some *seed* fell by the wayside; and the birds of the air came and devoured it. ⁵ Some fell on stony ground, where it did not have much earth; and immediately it sprang up because it had no depth of earth. ⁶ But when the sun was up it was scorched, and because it had no root it withered away. ⁷ And some *seed* fell among thorns; and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no crop. ⁸ But other *seed* fell on good ground and yielded a crop that sprang up, increased and produced: some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some a hundred." ⁹ And He said to them, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

Mark 4:26-29 NKJV

And He said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground, and should sleep by night and rise by day, and the seed should sprout and grow, he himself does not know how. For the earth yields crops by itself: first the blade, then the head, after that the full grain in the head. But when the grain ripens, immediately he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

Matthew 12:33 NKJV

Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or else make the tree bad and its fruit bad...

Matthew 12:35 NKJV

A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things.

1 Corinthians 3:6 NKJV

I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase.

Joshua 1:8 NKJV

This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you^[a] shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

Romans 8:6 NKJV

For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

2 Peter 1:3 NKJV

..as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness...

Proverbs 4:20-22 NKJV

My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart; For they are life to those who find them...

Romans 12:2 NKJV

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind...

Hebrews 12:15-16 NKJV

..looking carefully lest anyone fall short of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble, and by this many become defiled...

Hebrews 11:15-16 NKJV

And truly if they had called to mind that country from which they had come out, they would have had opportunity to return.

Hebrews 11:10 NKJV

..for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

Proverbs 4:23 NLT

Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life.

Isaiah 54:17 NKJV

No weapon formed against you shall prosper, And every tongue which rises against you in judgment You shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, And their righteousness is from Me," Says the Lord.

Proverbs 4:22 NKJV

For they are life to those who find them, And health to all their flesh.

Isaiah 54:17 NKJV

No weapon formed against you shall prosper, And every tongue *which* rises against you in judgment You shall condemn. This *is* the heritage of the servants of the Lord, And their righteousness *is* from Me," Says the Lord.

Luke 1:37 NKJV

For with God nothing will be impossible.

Hebrews 4:12 NKJV

For the word of God is living and powerful...

Matthew 12:36 NKJV

But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment.

Matthew 12:35 NKJV

A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things.

Matthew 12:33 NKJV

..make the tree good and its fruit good...

Romans 12:2 NLT

Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think.